

28 December 1983

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Dear [REDACTED]

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Some hard work and a lot of procrastination have delayed this note to you to thank you for all your help and support during [REDACTED] visit. The arrangements, care and feeding were not only super but also most enjoyable. Our security folks were pleased with the degree of cooperation they received throughout the visit.

As promised I talked to your local career management officer and Jim McDonald has responded with the suggestion that you remain in place for another year and then take an assignment here in Headquarters with the DDI. I defer to you regarding the wisdom of their counsel but it does make sense to me; far more so than another tour somewhere else. Jim promised to communicate this and any other thoughts to you. Please let me know if you don't hear through official channels.

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Needless to say [REDACTED] seems years away already and as I look out at the freezing rain here today I well remember the rain we had, not only [REDACTED] (first time in three years--three of the four days) and also the whole time I was [REDACTED] I returned home grey and with more than my share of mushrooms but it was a rewarding visit, thanks to folks like you who give that personal touch and extra effort.

I have been meaning to write Bob for all too long now--infact I doubt if I even have his address. The next time you write or see him please give him our very

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STAT best. I think of him whenever we have any info on

I hope you find the New Year happy and successful.

Warm regards,

John N. McMahon